



## ***CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS, FLORIDA***

### **CITY CLERK'S SUMMARY OF COUNCIL ACTIONS**

**Regular Meeting of Monday, May 22, 2006 - 7:00 p.m. – Council Chambers**

#### **AGENDA ITEM NUMBER AND SUBJECT**

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

All present. Vice Mayor Garcia arrived at 7:01 p.m.

**2. Invocation/Salute to the Flag:** Vice Mayor Garcia/The audience participated.

**3. Awards & Presentations:**

**3A) Presentation by County Commissioner Rebeca Sosa**

County Commissioner Rebeca Sosa publicly invited the Council and City Manager to a meeting on May 31, 2006 to prepare for the hurricane season.

Commissioner Sosa presented a \$5,000 check for City projects, in addition to the \$15,000 that was given toward the community center last year.

Vice Mayor Garcia stated that the \$5,000 is earmarked for shade covering at the Prince Field tot lot. He noted the presence of Miami Springs Senior High School student Catherine Hibbitt who promoted cancer awareness through her school project.

City Manager Borgmann congratulated Catherine for being selected as the Valedictorian of the Senior Class. She thanked the City for supporting her project.

**3B) Certificates of Recognition to Miami Springs Students who were Selected to the Miami Herald All-Dade Teams**

Mayor Bain presented Certificates of Recognition to the following students who were selected to the Miami Herald All-Dade teams:

Taylor Harlan – Miami Country Dade School – Girl’s Soccer Team  
Denisse Montero – Miami Springs Senior High – Girl’s Soccer Team  
Adrian Morales – Miami Springs Senior High – Baseball Team  
Holly Bain – Miami Springs Senior High – Girl’s Soccer Team  
Shane Hill – Florida Christian School – Baseball Team

Certificates will be mailed to Allie Llaneras, Yasmani Grandal and Ryan Jackson who were not present.

### **3C) Report on Plover Avenue Drainage Project**

City Manager Borgmann presented a summary of the Basin 14 storm drainage work that is being completed on Plover Avenue. He made observations regarding excavation work, piping, backfilling, sodding, dust control, trees, sidewalks and sewer laterals. He addressed the problems that were encountered and how they were addressed. Council **directed** the City Manager to hire an engineer to look at the problems, especially the sinkholes, and give an independent opinion to the City so that the residents who have complained will again feel safe.

## **4. Open Forum:**

### **Parking**

Jorge Santin of 1249 Heron Avenue stated that when he was looking for a parking space he noticed that one space in the municipal lot was marked for City Officials only. He realized that there is a parking shortage in the business district and wondered what is planned for the future to correct this problem.

### **Adult Congregate Living Facilities (ACLF’s)**

Roslyn Buckner of 970 Plover Avenue stated that is important for the City to adopt the sign regulations in the County Code in regard to Adult Congregate Living Facilities (ACLF) so that the Police and Fire personnel know about it and are properly prepared when they are responding to these facilities.

### **Commendation**

Bob Schwinger of 630 Cardinal Street commended Public Works employees Thomas Cummings and Carlos Blanco for the good work they did in identifying the sewer laterals on Deer Run.

## **Swale Restoration**

Joseph Valencia of 25 South Drive stated that the grass on the swale area was never replaced after some work that was done on his street.

## **Commercial Tax Base**

Joseph Valencia applauded Council for working to improve the commercial tax base.

## **Appreciation**

Joseph Valencia said that he appreciated Mayor Bain and Councilman Dotson for calling him to apologize for not responding to his message, which shows that they are interested in the welfare of the citizens.

### **5. Approval of Council Minutes: (Items 5A and 5B approved with one motion)**

#### **5A) 05/08/2006 – Regular Meeting**

**Approved as written.**

**Motion:** Councilman Youngs

**Second:** Councilman Best

**Vote:** 5-0

#### **5B) 05/15/2006 – Special Meeting**

**Approved as written.**

**Motion:** Councilman Youngs

**Second:** Councilman Best

**Vote:** 5-0

### **6. Reports from Boards & Commissions**

#### **6A) 03/28/2006 – Ecology Board – Minutes**

#### **6B) 05/09/2006 – Recreation Commission – Minutes**

#### **6C) 05/11/2006 – Board of Parks and Parkways – Notice of Lack of a Quorum**

#### **6D) 05/16/2006 – Education Advisory Board – Notice of Lack of a Quorum**

#### **6E) 05/23/2006 – Ecology Board – Cancellation Notice**

Agenda Items 6A, 6C, 6D and 6E were received for information without comment.

With reference to Agenda Item 6B, Mayor Bain said that the Principal and Baseball Coach have approached him regarding lighting of the field at the High School.

**7. Public Hearings:**

**7A) Third “Second” Reading – Ordinance – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Miami Springs Enacting New Article XV, Airport, Marine and Highway Business District, as Code of Ordinance Sections 150-154 Through 150-163; Specifying Purpose; Providing for Permitted Uses; Delineating Prohibited Uses; Specifying Lot and Floor Area and Setback Requirements; Establishing Height Limitations; Providing Off-Street Parking and Loading Standards and Requirements; Delineating Site Plan Review Requirements and Procedures; Specifying Sign Regulations; Establishing Development Procedures; Providing Fees for Administrative Reviews; Repealing All Ordinances or Parts of Ordinances in Conflict; Providing Directions to Codifiers; Establishing an Effective Date (First Reading: 4/10/2006 – Third “Second” Reading: 5/22/2006 – Advertised: 5/10/2006)**

**Adopted, as amended. (Ordinance No. 934-2006)**

**Motion:** Vice Mayor Garcia

**Second:** Councilman Best

**Vote:** 5-0

**8. Consent Agenda:**

None.

**9. Old Business:**

**9A) Appointment to the Education Advisory Board by Councilman Youngs (Group IV) to Fill an Unexpired Term Ending on May 31, 2007**

Deferred.

**9B) Appointment to the Ecology Board by Mayor Bain for a Full 3-Year Term Ending on April 30, 2009**

Deferred.

**9C) Appointment to the Ecology Board by Councilman Best (Group I) for an Unexpired Term Ending on April 30, 2009**

Deferred.

**9D) Reconsideration of Moratorium on Hedge Ordinance**

Council **directed** the Administration to schedule discussion of this item at the first June meeting.

The City Attorney suggested to Council to give him their recommendations.

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*Mayor Bain asked for a 5-minute recess at 9:25 p.m.*

*The Council meeting was reconvened at 9:37 p.m.*

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**9E) Discussion Regarding Possible Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan Related to the Airport Marine and Highway Business District (Requested by Vice Mayor Garcia)**

To be **discussed** during the second meeting in June based on the recommendations of the City Planner which he is to prepare in draft form.

**10. New Business:**

**10A) Recommendation that Council Approve the Purchase of a 2006 John Deere 310SG Backhoe Loader from Nortrax, in the Amount of \$59,815.34, Utilizing the Florida Sheriff's Association-Florida Association of Counties Contract #05-13-0822, as Provided by Section 31.11 (E) (5) of the City Code**

**Approved**

**Motion:** Councilman Dotson

**Second:** Councilman Best

**Vote:** 5-0

*Agenda Item 10C discussed at this time*

#### **10B) Report Regarding the April 2006 Golf Course Financials**

Finance Director Alonso reported that the situation at the Golf Course continues to improve. He presented comparative charts of current year versus prior year revenues and expenses.

#### **10C) Recommendation that Council Waive the Competitive Bid Process and Award the Annual Fireworks Contract to Firepower Displays Unlimited, Inc., in the Amount of \$12,000.00**

**Approved.**

**Motion:** Councilman Best

**Second:** Vice Mayor Garcia

**Vote:** 5-0

#### **10D) Consideration of Contracting with Juniors Catering to Provide Food After Disasters**

City Manager Borgmann informed Council that he has been approached by Juniors Catering, a company that can provide hot meals after disasters. There is no cost involved until the services are provided.

#### **11. Other Business:**

None

#### **12. Reports & Recommendations:**

##### **Charter Amendment Petition**

City Attorney Seiden reported that Attorney Tucker Gibbs advised him that he is representing a group of Miami Springs' citizens who are planning to present another Charter amendment petition to the City. They discussed the procedures to follow, which will be the County's.

Councilman Dotson referred to a copy of a letter addressed to City Attorney Seiden from Attorney Tucker Gibbs, and the City Attorney said he had not received the letter.

Councilman Dotson stated that the letter is requesting the City Attorney to complete his review within five days of the receipt of the petition forms.

## **12B) City Manager**

### **Memorial Day Services**

City Manager Borgmann reminded everyone that Memorial Day services would be held at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, May 29, 2006 and City Hall would be closed.

### **Officer of the Year Banquet**

City Manager Borgmann announced that the Police Department Officer of the Year banquet would be held on Wednesday, May 31, 2006 at the Optimist Club at 6:00 p.m. Tickets can be obtained from the Community Policing Office for \$15.00 each.

### **Vacation**

The City Manager announced that he would be out of town on vacation and would not be attending the June 12, 2006 Regular Council Meeting and that Finance Director Alonso would also be out of town that week.

## **12C) City Council**

### **Council Progress**

Councilman Best is pleased with the progress that Council made this evening.

### **Alex Bromir Memorial**

Councilman Best would like to recognize the late Alex Bromir who has a long list of accomplishments in education and the military service by preparing posthumous recognition for his family and a memorial monument.

City Manager Borgmann stated that normally the Memorial Committee considers requests for memorials and there is a six-month waiting period. He said that Mr. Bromir was a teacher at the Junior High School, the Dean of Boys and Principal at the High School, and his boss when he was a teacher. He informed Council that former students suggested naming the 500, 600, 700 and 800 blocks of Dove Avenue in front of the High School as "Alex Bromir Drive".

**Mayor Bain passed the gavel and moved to rename the 500, 600, 700 and 800 blocks of Dove Avenue as "Alex Bromir Drive". Councilman Best seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on roll call vote.**

Attorney Seiden said that normally the Memorial Committee makes a recommendation for an individual memorial monument or placing a nameplate on the proposed memorial stand.

## **District Boundary Regulations**

Councilman Dotson is proud that the district boundary regulations were adopted for the Airport Highway Marine Business District. Council can now proceed with the amendments to the Land Use Plan. It has taken more time in the interest of doing it right and the time was well spent.

## **Alex Bromir**

Councilman Dotson stated that he does not know Mr. Bromir as well as others might know him but he is 100% in favor of recognizing him for his significant contributions to the community. He was of the opinion that the memorial monument should go through the normal process, but Council made the right decision about the street dedication.

## **Alex Bromir**

Councilman Youngs stated that it breaks his heart to lose Mr. Bromir.

## **District Boundary Regulations**

Councilman Youngs thanked Council members for their work on the District Boundary Regulations. He said that it is an honor to serve with them on Council.

## **Thank You**

Vice Mayor Garcia thanked County Commissioner Rebeca Sosa for presenting the \$5,000 check to provide shade in the park.

## **Skin Cancer Awareness**

Vice Mayor Garcia reminded everyone that May is skin cancer awareness month and to use 30 SPF sunscreen.

## **Memorial Day**

Vice Mayor Garcia said that the Prisoner of War flag was replaced at the memorial and it is damaged again from touching the tree. He asked the Administration to trim the tree back.

## **Display of American Flags**

Vice Mayor Garcia noticed that there are American Flags on City property that are not lighted when the flag is flying at night and this should be corrected before Memorial Day.



### **Softball League**

Vice Mayor Garcia announced that the local churches organized a softball league and the final playoffs took place over the weekend. On Sunday, Blessed Trinity played against the Seventh Day Adventist Church and Blessed Trinity advanced to the finals, winning the championship against Grace Lutheran Church.

### **Optimist Club Fishing Trip**

Mayor Bain said that the Optimist Club and YMCA held a successful fishing tournament with 50 kids participating and everyone had a great time.

### **Optimist Club Fishing Tournament**

Mayor Bain announced that the plans for the Optimist Club Fishing Tournament are going strong and the City Manager is helping to prepare for the event that will take place on Saturday, June 10, 2006.

### **Plover Avenue Drainage Project**

Mayor Bain would like the residents who live on Plover Avenue to receive good, solid answers so they feel more comfortable about the work that was done in that area.

### **13. Adjourn.**

Meeting adjourned at 10:28 p.m.